

House Study Bill 589

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EDUCATION BILL BY
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the Iowa early intervention block grant
2 program by requiring school districts to report certain
3 reading assessment results to parents and extending the
4 program's repeal date.
5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
6 TLSB 5747YC 81
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1 1 Section 1. Section 256D.1, subsection 1, paragraph b,
1 2 subparagraph (1), Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
1 3 (1) A school district shall at a minimum biannually inform
1 4 parents of their individual child's performance on the
1 5 diagnostic assessments in kindergarten through grade three.
1 6 If intervention is appropriate, the school district shall
1 7 inform the parents of the actions the school district intends
1 8 to take to improve the child's reading skills and provide the
1 9 parents with strategies to enable the parents to improve their
1 10 child's skills. If the diagnostic assessments administered in
1 11 accordance with this subsection indicate that a child is
1 12 reading below grade level, the school district shall submit a
1 13 report of the assessment results to the parent, which the
1 14 parent shall sign and return to the school district. The
1 15 board of directors of each school district shall adopt a
1 16 policy indicating the methods the school district will use to
1 17 inform parents of their individual child's performance.
1 18 Sec. 2. Section 256D.9, Code Supplement 2005, is amended
1 19 to read as follows:
1 20 256D.9 FUTURE REPEAL.
1 21 This chapter is repealed effective July 1, ~~2006~~ 2007.
1 22 EXPLANATION
1 23 This bill extends the repeal of the Iowa early intervention
1 24 block grant program to July 1, 2007, and amends the program's
1 25 provisions to require a school district to submit a report to
1 26 a parent when the parent's child is reading below grade level.
1 27 The parent must sign and return the report to the school
1 28 district.
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